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SUBJ: AFP CORRESPONDENT'S CALL ON SIHANOUK

- 1. AFP CORRESPONDENT SERGE ROMENSKY CALLED ON SIHANOUK IN CANTON SEVERAL WEEKS AGO WHILE ENROUTE TO HONG KONG. ROMENSKY FOUND SIHANOUK LIVING IN A VILLA ON AN ISLAND IN THE PEARL RIVER. SIHANOUK TOLD HIM IT WAS THE FORMER HOME OF CHIANG CHING-KUO AND HAD BEEN THE SITE OF THE INDO-CHINA SUMMIT CONFERENCE.
- 2. ROMENSKY ALSO SAW QUEEN MOTHER WHO HE SAID LOOKED VERY BAD AND HAD AN OXYGEN BOTTLE BESIDE HER BED. SIHANOUK SAID HE WOULD REMAIN IN CANTON UNTIL WARMER SPRING WEATHER MADE IT POSSIBLE TO MOVE HIS MOTHER TO PEKING.
- 3. USLO OFFICER ASKED AFP CORRESPONDENT FLIPO (WHO RELATED ROMENSKY STORY) IF HE THOUGHT IT POSSIBLE SIHANOUK HAD RECENTLY VISITED PEKING. HE SAID HE COULD NOT RULE OUT POSSIBILITY THAT CHOU EN-LAI MIGHT HAVE SUMMONED HIM HERE FOR SHORT CONSULTATION, CONFIDENTIAL

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BUT SAID HE WAS CONFIDENT THAT SIHANOUK CONTINUES TO RESIDE IN

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